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EDITOR'S NOTES.

This No. of the Journal is issued somewhat earlier and the size is less than usual, on account of the editor's contemplated trip to Guatemala. The next No. may be correspondingly delayed by his prolonged absence. We regret also that no account can at present be given of the mycological papers presented at the New York Meeting of the A. A. A. S. and affiliated societies.

In this No. we are concluding the installments of Professor Morgan's monograph of the North American species of *Lepiota*. The parts will be reprinted as a single pamphlet. This then, as well as the North American species of *Marasmius*, by the same author, will we are sure be welcomed by very many botanists. Those interesting special groups can now be observed and studied systematically and advantageously — scarcely the case when the literature pertaining to many of the species remained practically inaccessible except perhaps to the specialist himself.

As serving a similar purpose and likewise of special advantage to the student of mycology — therefore it can be placed in the same category, namely, the article we are giving this month by Mr. Kauffman of the University of Michigan. His excellent work on the species of *Cortinarius*, to which difficult and important group he is still devoting himself, will be keenly appreciated by those interested in the Agarics. To the numerous other contributors in the past we are equally grateful for important articles — all of which in fact can justly be claimed as creditable to American mycology.

The Journal has set for itself the aim to index and in a measure to represent the work of our mycologists — and incidentally to give by brief notes some idea of the work in the entire mycological world. In our scope we include monographic articles of lesser or greater extent — and we expect to present from time to time much work of the latter character.